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**VIA ELECTRONIC FILING AND U.S. MAIL**

Scott S. Harris, Clerk  
Supreme Court of the United States  
One First Street, N.E.  
Washington, D.C. 20543

Re: Anthony Carter v. Texas, No. 21-269

Dear Mr. Harris:

Pursuant to Rule 30.4 of the United States Supreme Court, the State of Texas respectfully requests a thirty day extension of time to file a brief in opposition to the Petition for Writ of Certiorari. The Petition for Writ of Certiorari in the above entitled case was filed on August 18, 2021. On October 12, 2021, the Court requested the State to file a brief in opposition to the Petition for Writ of Certiorari, to be filed on or before November 12, 2021.

Undersigned counsel represents the State of Texas in the above referenced matter, and is set to begin a capital murder trial in the 140th District Court of Lubbock County, Texas, on October 25, 2021, in *State of Texas v. Mark Bethel*, Cause Number 2021-423,232. The trial is expected to last a minimum of two weeks.

Accordingly, the State respectfully requests a thirty day extension of time, until December 12, 2021, to file its brief in opposition. Thank you for your time and attention in this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Lauren Murphree  
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